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Kantor, Marven C-89136

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A review of KANTOR's file [C-89136] indicates Agency interest in Subject in 1961.

An undated PRQ, Part I indicates that Kantor was born on May 9, 1934 in New York City. He is listed as a U.S. citizen who, at that time, was a student at the University of Copenhagen, Free Plads. His travel outside the country of present residence is listed as follows:

Denmark July 26, 1957 - May 31, 1958

USSR May 31, 1958 - July 9, 1958 (to stay with an uncle in Minsk)

Denmark July 9, 1958 - Nov. 25, 1958

U.S.A. Nov. 25, 1958 - Jan. 30, 1959

Denmark Jan. 30, 1959 - Present

He served in the USMC from 1952 to 1955, <sup>in the West Indies and zone of exterior</sup> and in the USMC Reserve from 1955 until Oct. 8, 1960. Both of his parents were born in Russia.

A request for a POA <sup>in</sup> for order to assess Subjects [REDSKIN] [LCTIMPROVE] and LCHARVEST potential was made on Feb. 17, 1961 by Richard J. Walsh, WE-1/Denmark.

A POA was granted for contact, assessment and polygraph only on March 1, 1961 in a memo to Chief, WE-1/Denmark, attn: [Richard Walsh]

Cables indicate that Kantor was met by [RAMEY] <sup>3</sup> under alias on <sup>in April & May 1961.</sup> 2 occasions, during which time he revealed himself to be a longtime but unwilling RIS contact in Copenhagen.

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Last cable, dated Aug 15, 1961, to Director from [Copenhagen] <sup>19-6</sup> indicates that [RAMEY] <sup>3</sup> should recontact Subject who just returned from Yugoslavia before departure for New York in early September.

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Marvin Kantor (201-279,710)

Kantor's 201 file contains:

- 1) Several envelopes containing "third agency" documents;
- 2) CIA reports to other governmental agencies outlining the agency's information on Kantor;
- 3) CIA internal reports concerning agency contact with Kantor:  
A 5/5/61 Report of contact meetings with Kantor on May 3 & 4 includes a section entitled "General Information on Minsk in 1959." This includes information on construction, food supplies, the Minsk OVR, the Jewish community in Minsk, etc. One paragraph states: (#23 on p.8 of report)

"In addition to the university, there are several technical institutes, but Kantor had no opportunity of visiting them. He remembers that he once passed by a building which houses a military research institute / "voynnonauchnyy institut", but without a map he was not able to describe its location."

A 28 page report of 4/14/61 describes the contacts with Kantor on April 11 and 12. This report details Kantor's personal & educational background, his financial status, his visits to the USSR of 5/31/58 - 7/9/58 and 6/2/59 - 9/8/59, his relatives in the USSR, and his contact with Soviet officials & RIS and other American students <sup>who were in</sup> contact with the Soviets. The report goes into considerable detail concerning his contacts with Soviet officials, the attempt by RIS to recruit him while he was in Minsk in late July 1959 (p.19), his subsequent expulsion from the USSR (p.20) and his later contacts with Soviet officials and/or RIS upon his return to Copenhagen.

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